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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A)

SUBJECT: AFRICA TRIP: ODDS AND ENDS

FOR BARBIAN ONLY FROM COVEY

AS PROMISED, SECRETARY WAS SMOKED OUT ON A NUMBER OF DETAILS:

1. TRIP TO GAME PRESERVE

A. WHEN SHOWN FOLLOWING LIST OF THOSE WHO WILL PROBABLY WANT
TO ACCOMPANY HIM TO PARK, SECRETARY RESPONDED "REVOLTING, BUT ANYTHING

LESS WILL BE A MORALE PROBLEM.LEAVE AS IS."

MRS. AND MRS. ROBINSON

BILL SCHAUFEELE

AMBASSADOR AND MRS. MARSHALL

WIN LORD

PETER RODMAN

BOB FUNSETH

THE DOCTOR

A STAFFER AND A SECRETARY

THE ENTIRE TRAVELLING PRESS CORPS.

B. SECRETARY SUBSEQUENTLY DISCUSSED WITH BOB FUNSETH
QUESTION OF HOW MANY PRESS WOULD ACCOMPANY TO PARK. ONLY
CONCLUSION REACHED WAS THAT QUESTION WOULD BE SETTLED
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ABOARD AIRCRAFT, DURING TRIP. I HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED WITH JIM MORAN

AND DAN ZACHARY PROBLEM OF MAKING SURE THERE WILL BE ENOUGH ROOM AT LODGE.

C. SECRETARY AWARE OF, BUT DID NOT COMMENT ON FACT THAT ONLY COMMUNICATIONS AT LODGE WILL BE VIA COURIER EVERY FEW HOURS.

2. MAINFEST NOW BORDERS ON UNBEARABLE. SECRETARY HAS AGREED TO TAKE ALONG SIXTEEN REPEAT SIXTEEN PRESS.

ABC - KOPPEL
CBS - KALB
NBC - VALERIANI
POOL CAMERA
POOL TECHNICIAN
AP - SCHWEID
UPI - ANDERSON
REUTER - NELSON
POST - MARDER
TIMES - KAUFMAN (TO JOIN IN NAIROBI)
TIME - SCHECTER
NEWSWEEK - SULLIVAN
CHICAGO DEFENDER - PAYNE
HEARST - WALLACH
LA TIMES - JOHNSTON
USLA - KOENIG

KOENIG IS TO GO WITH US ONLY TO NAIROBI, DROP OFF TO MAKE ROOM FOR KAUFMAN, AND THEN REJOIN IN KINSHASA AFTER THE ROBINSONS SPLIT OFF. THIS

ALREADY AWESOME LIST IS NOW MADE ALMOST INTOLERABLE BY ADDITION OF RICARDO THOMAS, THE WHITE HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHER. UNBEKNOWNST TO ANY OF US, SECRETARY DISCUSSED, AND AGREED WITH SCOWCROFT, THAT THOMAS SHOULD COME ALONG -- AND REPORTEDLY LATER EVEN MENTIONED THIS FACT TO THE PRESIDENT. I THEREFORE SEE NO WAY AROUND IT. HAVE PASSED ALL OF THIS ON TO JIM MORAN, WHO HAS CRANKED IT INTO HIS EATING CHART MILL. WHAT IT MEANS IN SHORT IS THAT ON VIRTUALLY ALL LEGS FOUR OF US WILL BE SITTING IN THE "OFFICE", AND ON TWO SHORT LEGS, THERE

WILL BE SIX. SECRETARY HAS NOW BEEN THROUGH MANIFEST PROBLEM IN GREAT DETAIL, SEEMS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT ALL THIS MEANS, AND SEEMS CONFIDENTIAL

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PREPARED TO LIVE WITH IT.

3. SECRETARY DID NOT RESPOND TO DAN PARKER'S PLEA FOR A SEAT FOR HIS EXPERT. I SUSPECT HE DOES NOT WANT TO BE THE ONE TO SAY NO. BY THE SAME TOKEN, I WOULD THINK PARKER COULD BE TALKED INTO DROPPING HIS REQUEST. DO NOT THINK WE SHOULD RAISE QUESTION WITH SECRETARY AGAIN UNLESS PARKER INSISTS.

4. SECRETARY AGREED TO SEE SUB-SAHARAN AMBASSADORS AT 3:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. UNABLE TO REACH SCHAUFELLE, I INFORMED DAN ZACHARY, WHO UNDERTOOK TO SEE THAT AT LEAST THE KEY AMBASSADORS WERE INFORMED TONIGHT, AND THE REST IN THE MORNING.

5. SECRETARY CONFIRMED HE PREFERS TO DEPART CLARIDGE'S AT 7:30, BUT WAS SKEPTICAL HE COULD NOT BEGIN BREAKFAST BEFORE 9:00. PLEASE RECHECK TRAVEL TIMES AND CONFIRM OR AMEND 8:45 STARTING TIME FOR BREAKFAST AS APPROPRIATE. SECRETARY NOTED THAT SINCE HE HAS NOTHING SCHEDULED THAT EVENING IN NAIROBI, NO HARM WILL BE DONE IF BREAKFAST RUNS A BIT LONG TO MAKE UP FOR LATER START.

6. SECRETARY INFORMED THAT ALEC TOUMAYAN WOULD BE HIS FRENCH INTERPRETER. NO COMMENT.

7. UNDERSTAND THAT AF NOW LOOKING FOR A GOOD FORUM FOR THE MONROVIA SPEECH, AND THAT AMONG FORA UNDER CONSIDERATION IS LOCAL UNIVERSITY. SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND THAT SPEECH WILL PROBABLY NOT BE FULL DRESS AFFAIR, AND MAY ONLY BE 25 TO 30 MINUTES LONG. THIS RELATIVELY CASUAL APPROACH WILL PROBABLY RESTRICT CHOICES, AND WOULD PROBABLY ELIMINATE UNIVERSITY AS POSSIBILITY. WIN LORD SHOULD BE ASKED TO KEEP AN EYE ON THIS.

8. IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT OFFICIAL MEALS AT UNCTAD WELL DONE, I SUGGESTED LAST WEEK THAT AN EXPERT FROM PROTOCOL -- POSSIBLY LUCY WINCHESTER -- BE RECRUITED BY OIC. LUCY INSISTS THAT IF PROTOCOL IS TO HELP AT ALL, IT MUST BE DONE RIGHT, AND THAT WILL MEAN TAKING ALONG TWO OF HER HELPERS. I POINTED OUT TO CATTO THIS EVENING THAT THESE THREE PEOPLE WOULD COST US \$2,000 A PIECE FOR THIS EXERCISE, AND THAT WE HAVE BEEN UNDER SOME FIRE FROM SAFFIRE, ANDERSON, AND OTHERS FOR THE SYTLE IN WHICH WE TRAVEL. CATTO, AMICABLE BUT INSISTENT, SAID HE HAD TO SUPPORT LUCY; DO IT RIGHT OR NOT AT ALL. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CHECKING WITH LARRY TO CONFIDENTIAL

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SEE IF HE THINKS THE COST IS REALLY AN ISSUE. IF SO, PERHAPS HE WOULD SPEAK TO CATTO, BECAUSE EXPERT HELP FROM CPR IN NAIROBI WILL BE NO MERE LUXURY.

9. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SHARING THIS AS APPROPRIATE WITH SCHAUFELLE, MORAN, WOODS, AND EUR.

10. CHEERS.
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